

TEX RICKARD WILL BE THE FIGHT REFEREE

Is Proposed to Jack Johnson and Finally Accepted by Berger for Jeffries After the Negro Fighter Had Called Berger an Educated Dog and Offered Him a Thousand Dollars for Three Round Go Without Training.

San Francisco, May 17.—Tex Rickard will be the third man in the ring July 4. That is, he has been chosen as referee. It was done at a conference between promoters here yesterday. It nearly ended in a fist fight, and ugly words were used.

Jack Johnson, negro fighter, and Sam Berger, white trainer for Jeffries, led in the mud slinging. Rickard, who is associated with Jack Gleason in the promotion of the big fight, was selected only as a compromise. He has had little experience as referee.

Just before the compromise was reached Berger in an undertone declared: "I'll go over and hit that big black fellow" at the same time applying an epithet.

This was carried to Johnson, who warned Berger never to call him that name again.

Berger denied he had said anything of the kind, but Johnson's followers declared he did, and muttered among themselves that if Berger repeated what he had said he would never leave the room.

Johnson calls Berger an educated dog. "You're just an educated dog," said Johnson to Berger. "Now, come out and fight if you want to. I'll give a thousand dollars if you will come right out with me and box just three rounds."

They were finally quieted down and the session resumed.

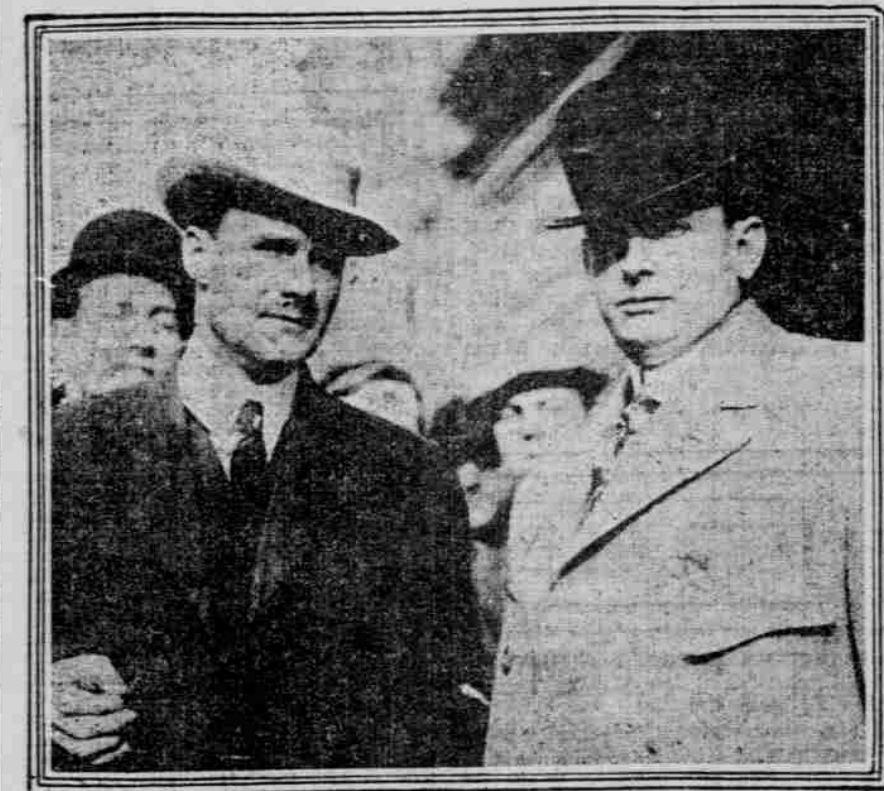
At the start of the meeting Berger again named the five men he wanted—Eddie Smith, Billy Roach, Charlie Eytan, Phil Wand and Johnny Herget.

Johnson renamed Welsh and Graney and said he would stick to them.

All sorts of compromise were suggested. Berger said he would be willing to have the sporting editors of the five San Francisco papers name the referee or allow these same sporting editors to act in conjunction with the two promoters.

Johnson Wins Point. Johnson first suggested Rickard, but Berger refused to consider the Nevada man at first, saying that he would accept him on account of his inexperience as a referee. The negro champion declared that he would stand pat.

This Is the Man Who Will Referee The Big Fight



"TEX" RICKARD (ON LEFT) AND J. J. GLEASON.

San Francisco, Cal., May 17.—With the troublesome referee question settled at yesterday's conference and Tex Rickard named as the third man in the ring, the sporting fraternity is now troubled over the possibility of the scene of the championship contest between Jeff and Johnson being switched.

A widely circulated report from Oakland that the fight promoters have been warned that the authorities may not permit them to hold the fight at Emeryville race track, has developed something tangible, for district attorney Donohue admitted that he is preparing an opinion on the law covering the right to hold a fight, and sheriff Barnett stated that he is awaiting this opinion.

The most disquieting rumor, however, was that Thomas H. Williams, president of the California Jockey club had withdrawn his support and informed Tex Rickard that he must find some other place in which to bring the fighters together. Williams refused either to confirm or deny.

Big League Baseball Monday's Results

NATIONAL LEAGUE.	
Philadelphia.....	000 004 000—4 6 5
Pittsburgh.....	010 001 000—7 12 1
Batteries: Philadelphia, Shettler and Doolin; Pittsburgh, Leever and Gibson.	
Umpires, Johnston and Moran.	

TEXAS LEAGUE.	
At Houston.....	R. H. E.
Galveston.....	1 5 0
Houston.....	0 3 4
Batteries: Galveston, Garber and Brown; Houston, Rose and Burch.	

AMERICAN LEAGUE.	
At St. Louis.....	R. H. E.
New York.....	000 002 000—2 7 2
St. Louis.....	001 110 100—4 9 1
Batteries: New York, White and Meyers; St. Louis, Willis and Phelps.	
Umpires, O'Day and Brennan.	

AT CINCINNATI—R. H. E.	
Brooklyn.....	100 000 010—3 8 0
Cincinnati.....	010 100 010—3 8 0
Batteries: Brooklyn, Scanlan and Ewing; Cincinnati, Fromme and McLean.	
Umpires, Rigler and Emslie.	

AT CHICAGO—R. H. E.	
Boston.....	000 000 012—3 4 3
Chicago.....	010 120 000—4 8 2
Batteries: Boston, Crown and Graham; Chicago, Cole and Archie.	
Umpires, Klem and Kane.	

AT PHILADELPHIA—R. H. E.	
Chicago.....	000 010 000—1 2 2
Philadelphia.....	012 021 000—6 1 1
Batteries: Chicago, Smith and Payne; Philadelphia, Coombs and Lapp.	
Umpires, Donnelly and Dineen.	

AT WASHINGTON—R. H. E.	
Cleveland.....	000 000 100—1 7 0
Washington.....	100 101 000—2 7 0
Batteries: Cleveland, Resling and Street; Washington, Eisenberg and Clarke.	
Umpires, Kerrin and Sheridan.	

AT NEW ORLEANS—R. H. E.	
St. Louis.....	000 101 100—2 7 4
New York.....	002 101 000—5 7 2
Batteries: St. Louis, Lake and Killifer; New York, Ford and Sweeney.	
Umpires, O'Loughlin and Perrin.	

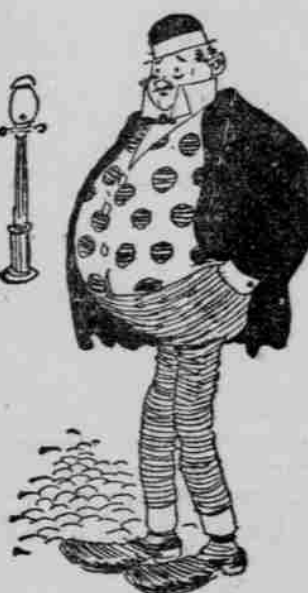
AT SIoux CITY—R. H. E.	
Sioux City.....	4 6 1
Denver.....	4 7 5
Batteries: Sioux City, Freeman and Miller; Denver, Hagerman and Weaver.	
Called off in eighth: rain.	

AT OMAHA—R. H. E.	
Omaha.....	000 000 000—0 0 0
Des Moines.....	000 000 000—0 0 0
Batteries: Omaha, Joseph and Joseph; Des Moines, Topeka and Topeka.	
Game postponed; wet grounds.	

AT LINCOLN—R. H. E.	
Lincoln.....	000 000 000—0 0 0
Lincoln.....	000 000 000—0 0 0
Batteries: Lincoln, White and White; Lincoln, White and White.	
Game postponed; wet grounds.	

AT LOS ANGELES—R. H. E.	
Los Angeles.....	4 8 0
Portland.....	8 12 3
Batteries: Los Angeles, Criger, Delbi and Smith; Portland, Seaton, Krapp, Fisher and McCann.	

What Benjamin SAYS



Men are going to wear bows on their shoes this summer. Women are going to continue the same old style and wear their beaus on their arms, even at ball games.

STATISTICAL BALL DOPE.
By Art Woods.

WHERE THEY PLAY WEDNESDAY.

National League.
Boston at Pittsburgh.
Brooklyn at Chicago.
New York at Cincinnati.
Philadelphia at St. Louis.

American League.
Chicago at Philadelphia.
St. Louis at New York.
Detroit at Boston.
Cleveland at Washington.

Texas League.
Dallas at Fort Worth.
San Antonio at Waco.
Shreveport at Oklahoma City.
Galveston at Houston.

HOW THEY STAND.

National League.	
Played	Won Lost Pct.
Pittsburgh.....	21 13 8 .617
Cincinnati.....	21 12 9 .571
Philadelphia.....	21 12 9 .571
Chicago.....	24 12 11 .542
New York.....	26 14 12 .538
St. Louis.....	24 11 13 .458
Boston.....	22 9 14 .391
Brooklyn.....	26 9 17 .346

American League.	
Played	Won Lost Pct.
Philadelphia.....	20 16 4 .800
New York.....	21 12 9 .571
Detroit.....	25 12 13 .480
Cleveland.....	22 12 10 .545
Boston.....	24 12 12 .500
Chicago.....	20 8 12 .400
Washington.....	25 9 16 .360
St. Louis.....	21 4 17 .190

Texas League.	
Played	Won Lost Pct.
Dallas.....	30 19 11 .633
Houston.....	30 18 12 .600
San Antonio.....	29 17 12 .588
Galveston.....	31 18 13 .581
Oklahoma City.....	28 12 16 .429
Shreveport.....	29 12 17 .414
Fort Worth.....	28 11 17 .393
Waco.....	29 10 19 .345

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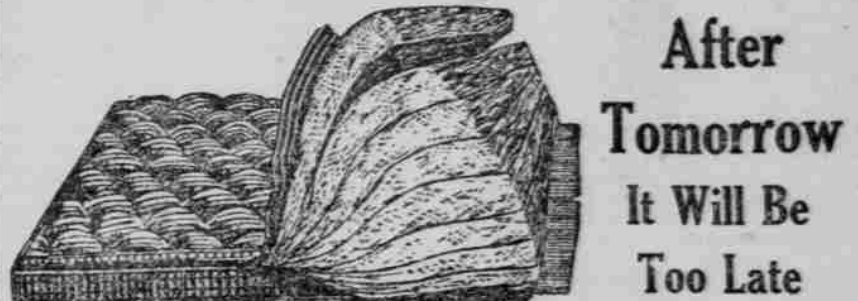
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After tomorrow, Wednesday, May 18th, this offer will positively be withdrawn, as we have already sold a large number of brass beds and reduced our stock to the amount we had expected. However, we will give all an opportunity to take advantage of this offer and secure a genuine high class brass bed at 25 percent below the regular price, and a fine mattress free of charge. Last week we received a large shipment, comprising many styles, and better values were never known. Every brass bed in the house is being sold from 25 to 33-1/3 percent reduction. If you need a brass bed this will be your opportunity as this \$12 mattress, weighing 40 lbs. and made of pure felt, is given free with every brass bed and springs. A fine brass bed can be secured as low as

\$14.75 AND UP



He Was Fined Yesterday For Rowdiness



FRANK CHANCE.

ROWDYISM BRINGS A FINE FOR CHANCE

Cincinnati, O., May 17.—Manager Chance, of the Chicago Nationals, yesterday was fined for rowdiness by the national commission. Chance was held responsible for conduct at Columbus, April 18, and fines also were levied on players Tinker and Hoffman, of the Chicago club. Commenting on president Taft's reference to baseball as a "clean, straight game," the commission announced:

"There never was a case in which a manager intent on winning a game and giving spectators a square deal ever assigned pitchers to infield duty and a catcher to pitch."

The Houston, Tex., club was allowed its claim of \$1000 against the Brooklyn club for player Blakeley.

Blaukeley. The national commission granted it at Monday's meeting.

It was the fourth straight game won by St. Louis against New York, which resulted 4 and 2 at home Monday. While it was effective except in one inning.

Is the action of Brooklyn police significant of anything. Such a time these pugs and promoters are having!

It was hard hitting that won for Boston at home Monday in an awful walkaway from Detroit.

Question: How large is Frankie Madden's head this morning. Answer: One has as large as Frankie Burns's.

Both Freddie and Seaton were wild in the Cincinnati-Brooklyn game Monday. But bag support held it down to 2 to 2.

Roller's bravery is good enough, but he appears to have very poor judgment. Wrestling is a brutal sport, anyway.

The Houston club has won out with its \$1000 claim against Brooklyn for

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AH, TOUCH NOT THE CUP, BENJAMIN!



DR. ROLLER HURT IN BUFFALO FALL

Buffalo, N. Y., May 17.—Dr. Roller, of Seattle, contrary to the advice of his seconds, rolled on the mat here last night with Stanislaus Zyzbysko, a Polish wrestler, and received two falls and painful injuries. The doctor's left shoulder was wrenched painfully when he was slammed to the mat for the first fall after 1:05:40 of go. His seconds advised the wrestling medic to give the bout, but Roller entered the ring with his arm hanging limp. The second fall took one minute and 40 seconds.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast.
For El Paso and vicinity: Tonight and Wednesday fair.

For New Mexico: Tonight generally fair and cooler, with local frost north portion; Wednesday generally fair.

For west Texas: Tonight fair, colder in southeastern portion; Wednesday fair, warmer in northern portion.

River at El Paso: Height of surface this morning above fixed zero mark, 14.4 feet; this date last year, 14.3 feet.